



IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

Applicant : Arild VIK Confirmation No: 7002
Appl. No. : 09/787,902
Filed : July 20, 2001
Title : PRODUCTION OF HYDROGEN AND CARBON WITH A
CARBON BLACK CATALYST

TC/A.U. : 1754
Examiner : S. Hendrickson

Docket No.: : ARIL3991/REF
Customer No: : 23364

AMENDMENT

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Commissioner for Patents
P.O. Box 1450
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Sir:

This is in further response to the Final Rejection of April 1, 2004. A notice of appeal to this rejection was timely filed on September 1, 2004. The appeal brief, with a one month extension of time is due on December 1, 2004. This amendment is being filed in an effort to overcome the Final Rejection and place the application in condition for allowance.

The period for response to the appeal brief has been extended to expire on December 1, 2004 by the filing herewith of a Petition for a One Month Extension of Time and payment of the required fee.

Please amend the application as follows:

Amendments to the claims are reflected in the listing of claims which begins on page 2 of this paper.

Remarks begin on page 4 of this paper.